

One Court of Justice

# **Michigan Supreme Court**

**2004 Annual Report**

**District Court  
Statistical Supplement**

## Introduction

In the Fall of 1997, the State Court Administrative Office commenced a project to revise the trial court caseload reports. The project was initiated partly in response to the creation of the family division of circuit court, but also to bring more uniformity between the three trial court jurisdictions. This new reporting system was implemented January 1, 2002. For caseload trends analysis see the *Michigan Supreme Court 2004 Annual Report*.

Much of the information in this report is due to the hard work and dedication of the trial courts and their information technology departments, the Judicial Information Systems, and staff of the State Court Administrative Office.

The caseload data for 2004 is provided in both a summary format and a detail format. The summary format is organized under categories that had been used in previous years so that comparisons can continue to be made from one year to the next. A legend is provided which explains under which category case type codes appear in the summary. The detail format shows the totals by each case type code.

## Statewide District Court Summary

## 2004 Court Caseload Report

	Non-Traffic			Traffic		Civil			Parking	Total
	Felony	Misdemeanor	Civil Infractions	Misdemeanor and Civil	OUIL/OWI	Civil	Small Claims	Summary		
Beginning Pending	15,562	166,195	10,303	392,216	15,543	122,568	21,440	52,650	59,266	855,743
New Filings	81,535	264,430	44,164	2,011,146	56,140	277,855	93,935	211,213	330,940	3,371,358
Reopened	34,484	104,809	3,774	198,305	10,072	7,187	2,602	795	6,796	368,824
<b>Total Caseload</b>	<b>131,581</b>	<b>535,434</b>	<b>58,241</b>	<b>2,601,667</b>	<b>81,755</b>	<b>407,610</b>	<b>117,977</b>	<b>264,658</b>	<b>397,002</b>	<b>4,595,925</b>
Jury Verdict	16	908	0	121	278	103	0	34	0	1,460
Bench Verdict	3,821	4,609	2,049	144,582	1,066	2,909	12,828	19,124	4,460	195,448
Guilty Plea/Admission/Waiver	16,196	163,100	19,695	1,197,453	49,235	0	0	0	178,218	1,623,897
Uncontested/Dflt/Settled	0	0	0	0	0	218,668	38,794	112,673	0	370,135
Bindover/Transfer	53,289	0	0	0	3,258	768	3,880	80	0	61,275
Dismissed by Party	6,858	58,630	7,688	126,812	2,871	33,347	26,155	54,233	8,298	324,892
Dismissed by Court	2,766	26,329	2,704	127,877	1,047	42,215	15,263	7,188	14,746	240,135
Default	0	0	18,860	538,558	0	0	0	0	142,405	699,823
Inactive Status	33,481	83,033	0	100,128	8,118	4,555	504	296	0	230,115
Local Diversion	423	14,056	0	7,903	288	0	0	0	0	22,670
Other Disposition	0	0	0	0	0	1,233	260	244	0	1,737
Case Type Change	136	310	80	959	118	78	53	91	9	1,834
<b>Total Dispositions</b>	<b>116,986</b>	<b>350,975</b>	<b>51,076</b>	<b>2,244,393</b>	<b>66,279</b>	<b>303,876</b>	<b>97,737</b>	<b>193,963</b>	<b>348,136</b>	<b>3,773,421</b>
<b>Ending Pending</b>	<b>14,595</b>	<b>184,459</b>	<b>7,165</b>	<b>357,274</b>	<b>15,476</b>	<b>103,734</b>	<b>20,240</b>	<b>70,695</b>	<b>48,866</b>	<b>822,504</b>

## Statewide District Court Detail

## 2004 Court Caseload Report

	Criminal				Traffic (Misdemeanor and Civil)								Non-Traffic Civil			
	EX	FY	OM	SM	FD	FT	OD	OI	OT	SD	SI	ST	OK	ON	SK	SN
Beginning Pending	90	14,982	121,460	44,735	653	490	7,875	163,800	143,055	7,015	40,531	44,830	53,656	8,966	5,610	1,337
New Filings	1,117	78,377	141,329	123,101	4,143	2,041	23,662	1,180,658	194,414	28,335	534,620	101,454	318,729	26,604	12,211	17,560
Reopened	319	33,469	56,520	48,289	1,230	696	3,781	90,855	63,786	5,061	13,114	30,550	6,556	3,487	240	287
<b>Total Caseload</b>	<b>1,526</b>	<b>126,828</b>	<b>319,309</b>	<b>216,125</b>	<b>6,026</b>	<b>3,227</b>	<b>35,318</b>	<b>1,435,313</b>	<b>401,255</b>	<b>40,411</b>	<b>588,265</b>	<b>176,834</b>	<b>378,941</b>	<b>39,057</b>	<b>18,061</b>	<b>19,184</b>
	EX	FY	OM	SM	FD	FT	OD	OI	OT	SD	SI	ST	OK	ON	SK	SN
Jury Verdict	0	16	246	662	0	0	77	0	53	201	0	68	0	0	0	0
Bench Verdict	125	3,660	2,153	2,456	38	36	633	113,264	5,120	395	25,263	935	0	0	0	0
Verdict at Hearing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4,066	1,698	394	351
Guilty Plea/Admission	7	15,708	72,765	90,335	893	481	21,336	653,309	123,442	27,006	343,682	77,020	0	0	0	0
Admission/Waivers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	174,569	11,602	3,649	8,093
Uncontested/Dflt/Settled	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bindover/Transfer	360	51,732	0	0	3,258	1,197	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dismissed by Party	169	6,562	33,526	25,104	96	127	1,190	57,093	31,393	1,585	20,898	17,428	7,851	6,523	447	1,165
Dismissed by Court	30	2,684	19,896	6,433	33	52	647	87,758	15,945	367	19,676	4,498	14,240	2,017	506	687
Default	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	397,064	0	0	141,494	0	132,598	11,816	9,807	7,044
Inactive Status	124	32,709	37,359	45,674	1,035	648	2,656	11,554	54,885	4,427	3,657	30,032	0	0	0	0
Local Diversion	1	418	9,992	4,064	0	4	179	5,291	1,216	109	546	850	0	0	0	0
Other Disposition	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Case Type Change	1	131	164	146	16	4	50	312	280	52	144	223	8	49	1	31
<b>Total Dispositions</b>	<b>817</b>	<b>113,620</b>	<b>176,101</b>	<b>174,874</b>	<b>5,369</b>	<b>2,549</b>	<b>26,768</b>	<b>1,325,645</b>	<b>232,334</b>	<b>34,142</b>	<b>555,360</b>	<b>131,054</b>	<b>333,332</b>	<b>33,705</b>	<b>14,804</b>	<b>17,371</b>
	EX	FY	OM	SM	FD	FT	OD	OI	OT	SD	SI	ST	OK	ON	SK	SN
<b>Ending Pending</b>	<b>709</b>	<b>13,208</b>	<b>143,208</b>	<b>41,251</b>	<b>657</b>	<b>678</b>	<b>8,550</b>	<b>109,668</b>	<b>168,921</b>	<b>6,269</b>	<b>32,905</b>	<b>45,780</b>	<b>45,609</b>	<b>5,352</b>	<b>3,257</b>	<b>1,813</b>

**Civil**

<b>GC</b>	<b>GZ</b>	<b>LT</b>	<b>SC</b>	<b>SP</b>	<b>Total</b>
121,924	644	40,480	21,440	12,170	<b>855,743</b>
276,628	1,227	208,671	93,935	2,542	<b>3,371,358</b>
7,163	24	723	2,602	72	<b>368,824</b>
<b>405,715</b>	<b>1,895</b>	<b>249,874</b>	<b>117,977</b>	<b>14,784</b>	<b>4,595,925</b>

<b>GC</b>	<b>GZ</b>	<b>LT</b>	<b>SC</b>	<b>SP</b>	<b>Total</b>
102	1	32	0	2	<b>1,460</b>
2,775	134	18,823	12,828	301	<b>188,939</b>
0	0	0	0	0	<b>6,509</b>
0	0	0	0	0	<b>1,425,984</b>
0	0	0	0	0	<b>197,913</b>
218,188	480	111,061	38,794	1,612	<b>370,135</b>
765	3	65	3,880	15	<b>61,275</b>
33,048	299	53,788	26,155	445	<b>324,892</b>
41,911	304	6,967	15,263	221	<b>240,135</b>
0	0	0	0	0	<b>699,823</b>
4,536	19	271	504	25	<b>230,115</b>
0	0	0	0	0	<b>22,670</b>
1,164	69	239	260	5	<b>1,737</b>
76	2	90	53	1	<b>1,834</b>
<b>302,565</b>	<b>1,311</b>	<b>191,336</b>	<b>97,737</b>	<b>2,627</b>	<b>3,773,421</b>

<b>GC</b>	<b>GZ</b>	<b>LT</b>	<b>SC</b>	<b>SP</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>103,150</b>	<b>584</b>	<b>58,538</b>	<b>20,240</b>	<b>12,157</b>	<b>822,504</b>

## **District and Municipal Court Caseload Annual Report Legend**

### **Non-Traffic**

Felony – EX, FT, FY

Misdemeanor – OM, SM

Civil Infractions – ON, SN

### **Traffic**

Misdemeanor and Civil – OI, OT, SI, ST

OUIL/OWI – FD, OD, SD

### **Civil**

Civil – GC, GZ

Small Claims – SC

Summary – LT, SP

Parking – OK, SK